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What Destiny?

The country had been at war six months and everybody was still running to

overything we shall win it too soon and too easily, and be not enough chastened. happen to us."

We have won it easily.

Our performances seem prodigious.

We have lived almost as usual, but for a handful of gasless Sundays.

We are richer than when we started. We are the richest people in the whole

world and least war weary of all the

were willing in mind and heart and prophets, new fevers, new devotions and hand; but the full measure was never new skepticisms. After all, change is a

the great adventure. Destiny must have Man is preoccupied by what at the reserved for us an errand that shall moment he deems the considerable spareally try our strength.

Germany's Surrender

Germany is out of the war. Her surrender is complete. Her defeat has been so overwhelming that she has neither physical vigor nor moral stamina left | tory. The tremendous spectacle never to question the verdict. The good old Gott of the Hohenzollerns has deserted her. And her people, in the bitterness grow cold or pallid. There will be easting the truth upon unready ears. darkness the Hohenzollerns and their barbarous tribal divinity.

The terms of the armistice imposed by Foch leave nothing to be desired. They are severe and sweeping. They reduce Germany to impotence, But their harshness only faintly measures the enormity of Germany's offending. Germany entered the war with the cold malevolence of the bravado seeking his victims. She began it with an act of perfidy-the violation of Belgian neutrality. She set the world ablaze in a quarrel not her own. She fought according to the code of the savage. She ied at the bar of history.

gune, 30,000 machine guns and 2,000 | in all history. her military supplies. In a military way the Prussia of to-day becomes relatively as powerless as was the Prussia

städt and Jena. Cologne, Coblenz and Mainz. They are adequately with Mr. William Hohenzolmiles. Moreover, the east bank of the district of Düsseldorf, Essen, Elberfeld than a cheerful symbol of a great war and Barmen. Further south the neutral | won-he was the sign and promise of all |

New York Tribune zone will stretch as far east as Frank- that bigger victory for human freedom fort-on-the-Main. A great part of Hesse- now unfolding without which the war Darmstadt, practically all of Baden and could never have justified itself to . nearly all of Rhenish Bavaria will be included in the occupied and neutral

Sones. The fulfilment of the requirements of the armistice will impose an enormous task on the German military administration. The German War Office will have to work day and night for the next nineteen days in order to evacuate the territory, East front and West front, included in the Allied terms; to accomplish the delivery of guns, munitions, supplies, warships and merchant ships; the return of prisoners and the repatriation of the civilian inhabitants of France, Belgium and Alsace Lorraine, and the restoration of the gold stocks stolen from Belgium and Russia. Possibly the term of fulfilment will have to be extended. It certainly will have to be if the new revolutionary government fails to function smoothly.

Field Marshal Hindenburg has loyally accepted the responsibility of executing the conditions subscribed to by the German High Command under orders from Berlin. He has asked the Socialist administration to send representatives to Grand Headquarters to facilitate evacuation and transfers of military booty. He has thereby exhibited a firmness of character strikingly lacking in his late associate, First Quartermaster General Ludendorff has been in a way an understudy of the Kaiser-arrogant, petulant and pitifully unheroic in defeat.

Ludendorff was the main author of the great offensive of 1918, whose fail-To one of the wisest men in the world ure brought on the German collapse. He we were stating the case of impatience. apparently overruled Hindenburg, who preferred the saner policy of a continued defensive on the West front. Having gambled and lost, Ludendorff funked. He was without the mental and moral "But we cannot lose the war," he said. equipment of the true soldier. He slunk The great danger is that in spite of away from the scene of defeat by resigning, just as the Kaiser slunk away from it after abdicating.

Hindenburg at least had the grace to That is the only calamity that can really stay behind with his beaten armies. He was willing to surrender his sword when destiny compelled him to do so. It is not much to say of any one that he stood out in soldierly virtues among the Ger-Actually, they were. Relatively, they man generals of the Great War. But were not, for we are a giant people to Hindenburg's readiness to face the conwhom nothing so far has been effort sequences of a manumental disaster-not of his making-must be put down to his The war in fact has hardly touched us. credit as a man and an officer. He has proven himself much the less ignoble partner of the once semi-deified Hindenburg-Ludendorff firm.

Vistas

We enter a new time.

On this threshold it is diverting to What we have to remember with any speculate on what human revisions will thrill of satisfaction is our attitude. We take place. It will be a time of new called for, nor so much as one-half of it. slow and teulous process in one main, it is an engrossing and engulfing object Surely, therefore, this was not for us of interest and attention in particular. tiality of it, but in the end his accomplishments are few, over thousands of years; they are localized and made measurable by only a few great leaps

in time. The human flavor will pervade all these affairs, and that will be consolalags. The color burns with greater consillusionment, have cast into outer sweats and passions, angers and immolation, cynicism, revolt, generosity and surrender. Old names will die; Germany's mercantile marine, died two new names will be born.

But the essences will remain the same. The innate and inexpungable urgency toward realization will continue its testimony to what is more than mortal in

The stars in their illimitable distances will not come nearer. But man by his own vision will ever seem to be lifting himself toward them.

The Great Celebration

Fate does these things so much better ended the battle in fear and trembling. than humans! Starting at a respectable While her armies were still on enemy hour of the day, the great celebration soil she subscribed to a peace as hu- would have been joyous, but it would miliating as that of Tilsit. It was a have lacked its last and best thrill. moral débâcle, even more than a mili- Starting at dawn, or before dawn, it tary one. It was the case of a crim- took a very stodgy American not to feel inal accepting in advance a sentence queer things in his spine and an occawhich will stand as everlastingly justi- | sional lump in his throat and not to know that here in very truth was a Germany surrenders outright 5,000 great dawn, one of the greatest dawns

airplanes—the best part of her present | For a day and a night we have been military equipment. She delivers over celebrating that dawn. Plain unadulterher navy and merchant marine, part of ated joy was the chief propulsion of it. it to go at once into the hands of the all. Americans have scant equipment Allies, the rest to be dismantled and for such an occasion. We are neither interned under guard. She evacuates a singing nor a dancing people. We are all invaded territory on the East and too individualistic to form parades or West fronts. She also abandons Alsace- groups readily. We have a large lump Lorraine and all German provinces on of steady-going propriety. But-there the west bank of the Rhine. Until peace | never was such a day as yesterday and is concluded the Allied armies are to there never were such Americans as remain in Western Germany and Prus- cavorted and cheered and whooped and sia is to be cut off from the great indus- whirled upon our streets for goodness trial districts of the Rhineland, which knows how many hours on end. Never have furnished her with the bulk of before has so much plain joy been spilled in America for all to see and

Undoubtedly the American ending of of Frederick William III after Auer- the great tragedy helped on the celebration. Much has happened since the false The Allied armies will take possession alarm of last Thursday, much besides even of the three great German military a Foch armistice. Most Americans have bases on the west bank of the Rhine- | their own private programme for dealing to have bridgeheads opposite these lern. Perhaps one of those programmes cities, each with a radius of twenty may yet prevail. But to have the great partner of Gott scuttle like a frightened Rhine, to a depth of about twenty-seven rabbit to a neutral country is a beginmiles on the lower stream and of about ning in his declining career that would twenty miles on the upper stream, is to be hard to improve upon. That was why be made a neutral zone. In this neutral the Kaiser that Was played so large a zone will lie the great manufacturing 'part in the celebrating. He was more

America.

Lest We Forget!

It was a noble thought to bring our wounded men into the heart of vesterday's parading, formal and informal, In all the jubilation of peace there must never be forgotten the sacrifice by which that peace was won. Lest memories be short, lest peril for future generations be needlessly left alive, lest grave and solemn jestice be not done to criminals, our minds must never forget these heroes of ours, living and dead. We have no fear of ingratitude in the form of forgetfulness and negligence toward our fighting men who need help. We think rather of that larger ingratitude which accepts the last measure of devotion from men and then considers compromise of that for which these men fought and died.

We at home have not won the peace we celebrate save in smallest part. Our soldiers have won it, and we must use that peace as they would have it used. Our faith with those who sleep beneath the poppies of Flanders Fields has still to be kept, has still to be constructed | And on that altar high, with sacred into a permanent, living fact.

never for a moment forget!

Safe for Baseball

The French have not been able to learn baseball. Attempts of American doughboys and "Y men" to teach the game to their brothers in the trenches have failed, it is now admitted. Baseball, under present conditions, has proved too complicated for the poilu, who can master the hardest of the irregular verbs. and found out the combination of the "Big Bertha" long ago, but cannot remember which way is first base.

Intensive training was rendered doubly difficult not only by the German habit of picking out the smooth fields for afternoon bombardment, but also by the purely French habit of courtesy. The poilu will save his officer's life, but he cannot enjoy striking him out.

The story is told of one player who slammed the pill straight into the pitcher's chest and made a long detour on his way to first to apologize to monsieur. The sound of an American private bawling out his captain for an error at third is said to have kept the whole sector from Toul to Montdidier in conversation last spring,

Always theatrical; never heroic. What a picture he makes-a fugitive Cæsar in Holland, waiting in a railroad carriage for the Dutch to say what they will do with their uninvited guest! And with his own precious skin he brought his own regal food. He, too, was a coward. All the Huns are.

There shall be glory enough for all. Let us not forget one whose undeserved humiliation would have consumed any heart less courageous. The news of the last few days must have been both bitter and sweet to General Leonard Wood. and tardy, also, for a Kansas training camp is not the most accessible place in the world. Our compliments to the man who emotionally prepared this unprepared country, who gave us Plattsburg, who saw the war beforetime and who, when we had got into it, visualized its centration at times; it does not ever proportions truly and was lynched for

> Albert Ballin, one of the creators of days before the public announcement of the armistice terms under which that marine becomes, practically in its entirety, a pledged security for the discharge of Germany's sea-warfare debts to the Allied nations and neutrals. Herr Ballin foresaw this calamity. A year or two ago he sacrificed the good will of the Kaiser-his patron and one of the largest stockholders in the Hamburg-American company-by arguing that only a peace of concession could save German overseas commerce. His worst fears are now realized. Happily, he died before the death sentence on the great enterprises of which he was the guiding spirit was formally executed.

> > (From The Brooklim Eagle)



It's over, over there.

A war that lasts four years or five Is worse than claimed by Sherman, But oh! It's good to be alive And NOT to be a German.

Germany's greatest work of art is that final "bust" of the Kaiser.

Holland couldn't escape the horrors of war. Wilhelm and son are now there. The watch on the Rhine has its hands up.

Germany

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NOVEMBER 11, 1918

Who dares to squeak and babble all

Here in the throbbing thunder-murmur

The swelling flood-tide of a nation's prayer Crashes and rolls about His mighty

throne? For feeble jest and limping mirth have

flown

And here a people, with their hearts stripped bare, Kneel dazed, and wrenched by sobs that

clutch and tear. To worship Him who gives them back

their own. So kneel we at the altar of our Lord

Where tapers gleam-the souls of those who died,

Who gave their lives, a tribute to His Whose glorious deaths have left us

glorified.

pride. In this our hour of triumph let us We lay our sheathed and consecrated sword.

We'll Playthe Tune

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Perhaps you may like to reprint the inclosed lines, by a Scotch lady, which appeared in "The London Times" in the autumn of 1914. I believe them to be a parody of an old jingle. I do not, however, know the original. Their grim steadfastness has been an anchor to me in many dark times through the last four years, and they were never more pertinent than now. when we approach the end of the tragedy.

Forest Hills, N. Y., Nov. 10, 1918.

Dance, since you're dancing, William, Dance up and doun;

Set to your partners, William, We'll play the tune.

See, make a bow to Paris, Here's Antwerp toun,

Off to the Gulf of Riga. Back to Verdun-Aye, but I'm thinkin', laddic. Ye'll use your shoon!

Dance, since you're duncing, William, Dance up and doun;

Set to your partners, William, We'll play the tune.

What, wad ye stop the pipers: Nay, 'tis ower soon.

Dance, since you're dancing, William, Dance, ye puir loon!

Dance till you're dizzy. William. Dance till you're swoon.

Dance till you're dead, my laddie-We'll play the tune!

Old Stuff

letter published in The Tribune, famuary 24, 1890.)

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Upon reading your article on the influenza 100 years ago in last Sunday's Tribune, it occurred to me that you might be interested in the copy of an old letter I have lately found in looking over some family papers of the Townsends, of Long R. COLES. Oyster Bay, L. I., Jan. 21, 1890.

uncle, Henry Lloyd, in London, dated at Village, now Lloyd's Neck, Long Island, May 22, 1790.)

"I wish I could inform you that at this time the influenza was known only by its name. When I wrote last it was general, as far as I could learn, throughout America, and from that time to about the last of March or some time in April it was no more heard of when it attacked persons of all ages and has proved in a great number of instances mortal-we are told very much so in New York, also in sundry towns in Connecticut. By a letter from a friend of mine in Danbury I am informed that lately, in the town of Litchfield, six persons were buried at the same time, who had died of this alarming and distressing sickness. At Jericho, in this island, in the family of Dr. James Townsend, within about a fortnight, have died three daughters and a son, himself now despaired of by his physicians. His death will be a general loss, being greatly esteemed in his pro-

(Entracts from "Griffith's Annals of Bal-

timore," published in 1829). "In the fall of 1789 and spring of 1790 there raged throughout the country, commencing at the South, an epidemic called temperature at Philadelphia for September being 75 and for October 63, with great drouth, and that, like the yellow fever which followed it, was contagious in the atmosphere. It was called by some an epidemic putrid cold, and was said to be produced by sudden vegetable putrefaction."

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THE GREATEST NEWS IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD



The End

By Frank H. Simonds

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wars in the period which is designated as Modern History comes to an contemporary eye. We only know that end. With the struggles of the Refor- we have escaped from a bitter menace; mation and the wars of the French Rev- | the horror of the German threat is still elution and the Napoleonic era this over us. The agony imposed by the World War must hereafter be reckoned. Teutonic race upon all other races for Like the two preceding convulsions, it | these years is still in our minds and was a struggle against tyranny which our hearts. We have been delivered, but has terminated in the triumph of the even in the hour of deliverance the magforces of liberalism and progress.

Copy of a letter from John Lloyd to his kind won religious freedom. In the up-In the wars of the Reformation man-remains. housed of the French Revolution the civil liberties of men were established. In the present conflict the rights of peoples, large and small, to live their own lives, to preserve their own ideas, to follow their own destinies, have been vindi-

The German said in his heart "There is no God but the god of violence. There no law but the law of the sword. There is no people but the German people, who because they are strong shall rule the world."

As a consequence for more than four years mankind has fought. Asia, Africa and Europe have been the scenes of gigantic struggles while America has sent her millions to a foreign field to fight for American ideals and American liberties. Millions of men have died, cities have been wrecked, provinces ravaged; since the other barbarians burst in upon the Roman Empire and scattered its treasures, wrecked its temples and destroyed its civilization, the earth has seen no such period of devastation and influenza. The summer of the former year ruin. To-day the pathway of German had been uncommonly warm, the mean armies in Europe can be traced by the smoking ruins of recent fires and the cold ashes of towns dead these four years.

Unlike the armies of the French Revolution the Germans have brought nothing but the sterile doctrine of force to the regions they temporarily overran. They have enslaved the people, wasted the fields, wrecked the monuments. No consideration of humanity, of international law, of what we once called Christian sympathy, has tempered their vielence or moderated their barbarity. In all that they have done for four long years they have shown only one spirit. We call them Huns, not in anger, not in passion-neither anger nor passion has place now-but because no other name expresses the ideals which they have disclosed.

And after more than four years of effort unorganized civilization has conquered organized barbarism. The citizens of free nations had to choose between being slaves and becoming soldiers. They have become not merely soldiers, but victorious soldiers. To mere force they have opposed the invincible spirit of force controlled and impelled by justice, by the love of liberty and the respect for humanity. Long paralyzed by lack of preparation and weakness of organization, the men of the free nations have in the end conquered.

71TH the signing of the armistice The results of this war will be estiterms the third of the great mated by those who come centuries hence and see what is hidden from the

was more complete than the present

nitude of the curse which overhung us Yet no defeat in all human history

> and never was a faith in ultimate justice more completely vindicated. The German began his war with every advantage that long preparation, skilful leadership, infinite organization could bestow. He had the weapons, the machinnation which is sinking into chaos. Bel-

> > And in four years all his armies have been beaten and his generals mastered. all his preparations surpassed, all his machinery distanced. His Kultur has been exposed as the mere folly of the brute, powerless when intelligence should be aroused, armed and organized.

gium, Serbia, Rumania, the little states

he abolished, have returned to the sun-

light of the world. Only the German's

allies have been ruined, only his own

people have come to the brink of utter

The German has been beaten on the battlefield, and with defeat his whole doctrine disappears. No preparation of barbarism, however scientific, can conquer civilization; no chains of tyranny, however heavy, can permanently fetter freedom. The sword in the hand of the brute may long prevail, but it falls from a hand struck helpless in the end. We have been liberated from the German nightmare; new tyrannies may come, bringing new doctrines of slavery, but those whose task it is to destroy them will be heartened and fortified by the history of our own time.

Millions of men and women are to-day rising to liberty amid the ruins of the Teutonic world empire. The evil tradition of the absolute monarch is finally relegated to the past. The triumphs of the French Revolution, lost for the moment in the reactions of 1815 and 1848, have been proclaimed anew. The German would have made us German as a condition to permitting us freedom, but henceforth he can only be German in a free world. The last stronghold of the infinitely evil gespel of human inequality, of the "superior race," of the privileged class, has been stormed. A red flag is to-day flying from the ramparts of the last and inner citadel of tyranny. Marathon and Valmy now

share their eternal significance with the Marne.

In the immediate presence of all the ruins, the agonies and the irreparable injuries, the world to-day feels itself consciously a better world as a comquence of the last four years. It has mastered one more obstacle; it has triumphed over one more barrier. For all time hereafter the lives of men and women will not merely be safer, happier, easier, but new and nobler horizons are opening. Already on the ruins of the old the foundations of a new world organization are beginning to appear.

Another Bastille has fallen and if the people shout and sing it is not merely foolishness, for now, as more than a century ago in France, there is a sense among millions that one of the great hours in all human history has come an hour whose greatness will grow and mt long, dark night is over.

Workforthe A.P.L.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

ery; he was halted by no regard for laws human or divine. He had power and unlimited willingness to employ power. He attention for two reasons. Its published has employed it for four long years, but will be of material assistance to the core in the end he has failed and it is his of the league. The thought expressed in machine which is falling into ruin, his the third paragraph is worthy of editoral

> American Protective Lengue, Committee Public Information. B. PAGE, Chairman

New York, Nov. 9, 1918. (Enclosure E. H. Rushmore, Esq., 35 Nassau Street,

New York, N. Y. New York, N. Y.
Dear Sir: . . The need for the
American Protective League is as great as
as it has been in the past, and I amentirely satisfied that the need for this e-

ganization will continue for some time come entirely without regard to the prop-ress of the peace negotiations. The tremendous machines which have been organized by the government for the projection of this war cannot be stopped abruptly set must continue to operate for many months under any circumstances.

tecting from espionage the army significant for the United States will estimate for the vigorous enforcement of Section 12 and 14 of the selective service act significant watchfulness. for watchfulness for enemy propaganda si

financial activity will probably increase. To achieve the greatest success it is sential that every war activity be kering its highest pitch at this time until full fruits of the efforts of our armies so those of those of our allies are not only in sight be

actually realized. I am sure that the New York divise-will continue to play its part until the department is willing to say that it has no further need for its greatest endesvers.

A. B. BIFLASKI, Chief.

Washington, Nov. 2, 1918.

Read Ads, Then Wed

The bride was beautifully gowner draped tulle over white charmeuse bosons with nearls and carried a shower bosons of Killarney roses, grown in the ground garden. The groom wore the convention black with a stand-up collar and carried pocket full of Little Tom's. He also were the popular "Black Cat" brand of hose inside a pair of Douglas shoes.